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Signed:

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PATENT USSN 10/751,075 Atty File Ref. 03257

IN THE U NITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

| In re                       | Application of:  | )                                  |
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| THOMAS V. WARD, JR., ET AL. |  | ) Group Art Unit:                  |
| For:                        | REPORT COVER WITH IMPROVED<br>BINDING STRUCTURE AND METHOD<br>OF MAKING SAME | ) 3722 ) Examiner: Monica Carter ) |
| Serial                      | No. 10/751,075   | )<br>)                             |
| Filed: January 2, 2004      |  | )<br>)                             |

## SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT

TO: Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VIRGINIA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicant submits the following.

At the outset, it should be stated that the two (2) Terminal Disclaimers that applicant's attorney filed with the United States Patent and Trademark Office on October 5, 2004 were in proper form. One Terminal Disclaimer was filed on behalf of applicant, Thomas V. Ward, Jr., showing he had a 50% interest in the subject invention and another

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Terminal Disclaimer was filed on behalf of applicant, Jeanne M. Ward, showing that she had a 50% interest in the subject invention. With both Terminal Disclaimers, it covered 100% ownership. Both Terminal Disclaimers were filed on behalf of applicants' attorney, Charles F. Meroni, Jr. and were sent with applicant's attorney's Check No. 6016 in the amount of \$55.00. Copies of both of these Terminal Disclaimers are attached herewith, as well as a copy of applicants' attorney's Check No. 6016 and a copy of the postcard received from the Office evidencing receipt of the two Terminal Disclaimers and the check for \$55.00.

As of this date, applicants' attorney has not received any Office Action from the Office since filing these two (2) Terminal Disclaimers on October 5, 2004. However, in a telephone conference with Examiner Mark Henderson on the co-pending application, Serial No. 10/740,280, he advised that Examiner Monica Carter assigned to this patent application was presently on maternity leave.

Thus, to avoid issuance of any Final Rejection by the Office, applicant's attorney is at this time attaching copies of the two (2) Terminal Disclaimers that were filed.

Reconsideration of the rejection is kindly requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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